CITY OF KINGMAN DOG LICENSE AND ORDINANCE INFORMATION





License info

Any dog living in the Kingman city limits that is over four months old is required to be vaccinated for rabies and to be licensed with the city.

Fees

Spayed/Neutered Dog \$12.00 per 12 months
Unaltered Dog \$30.00 per 12 months
License Late Renewal Fee \$3.00 per 12 months
Senior/Disabled Owner Discount (\$2.00) per license
Service and Search and Rescue dogs are free

Licenses are purchased at:
Kingman City Complex
310 North 4th Street
Kingman, AZ 86401



Fines and Charges

If dogs are found at large, that could result in the owner being charged with a class 1 misdemeanor (up to 36 months probation, \$2500 fine, and 6 months in jail). However, just because a dog is found at large does not mean it will automatically be impounded. An impound is more likely to occur in the event that a dog's owner is unidentifiable or unreachable, or the dog causes injury to another person or animal. An impound is less likely to occur if officers are able to immediately locate the owner, however the owner can still be issued a citation.

If a dog is at large and injures a person or animal, their owner could be required to pay restitution for the harm caused, as well as any fees resulting from impoundment. If the owner does not have proof of vaccination records, and it is a dog bite situation, the dog will be impounded. Any dog shown to have a propensity to bite may be subject to a vicious animal petition (this type of petition usually does not occur unless there has been more than one unprovoked attack).





Dogs at large

Typically, a dog is considered at large if it is off of their owner's property and are not tethered or are not in an enclosure where dogs are permitted to roam. For homeowners, this would typically mean if they are out of their owner's yards, they would need to be tethered. For apartment residents, it would generally mean that if they are physically outside their owner's apartment, they would need to be tethered.

A dog is not at large if:

It is in its owner's yard under voice control.

It is tethered and restrained by a person using a leash, chain, rope or cord sufficient to control its actions.

If the dog is being walked in public then the leash cannot exceed 6 feet. (If someone has a retractable leash, they cannot have their dog on a leash longer than 6ft).

It is confined in an enclosure.

It is being exhibited at an approved kennel club show on private property.

Dog Impoundment

Regarding impoundment, pursuant to the City of Kingman code:

An unlicensed dog which is found at large shall be kept and maintained at the animal shelter for a minimum of three (3) days, not including the first day of impoundment. The owner will be responsible for showing proof of licensing, when they retrieve their dog from the Mohave County Animal Shelter.

A licensed dog which is found at large shall be kept and maintained at the animal shelter for a minimum of five (5) days, not including the first day of impoundment, unless claimed by its owner.

After three (3) days, dogs at large (strays) with no identifiers (identifiers include: dog tag, microchip, etc.) pursuant to Arizona State Law, becomes property of the animal shelter.

For more information, see Chapter 3, Article II of the Kingman Municipal Code.



